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Re: Hexcel Corporation
205 South Main Street
Lodi Borough, Bergen County
ISRA Case No. 86009
Response to Letter Dated March 16, 1994
Our File No. 03597.17140

Dear Mr. Nowak:

I am writing in response to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Energy's ("NJDEPE") letter dated March 16, 1994. That letter requested a response within 15 days of receipt. The letter was received in our office on March 21, 1994. Fifteen days from March 21 is, then, today, Tuesday, April 5, 1994.

As you know, Hexcel Corporation ("Hexcel") is operating in bankruptcy. Among the many issues it is dealing with is the retention of a new environmental consultant. The process of changing consultants cannot, however, be accomplished until approval has been received from the bankruptcy court. Hexcel anticipates that such approval will be forthcoming in the next 30 days. Accordingly, we request that the NJDEPE issue a 30-day extension so that we might best respond to the requests set forth in the NJDEPE's letter dated March 16, 1994.

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Hexcel understands that the NJDEPE is requesting revisions to the remedial activity schedule and associated cost estimates, including the inclusion of off-site activities. As soon as a new consultant has been approved, Hexcel will ask that they address these issues immediately. Hexcel apologizes for the time delay attributable to the constraints imposed upon by the requirement to obtain approval by the bankruptcy court for the necessary technical assistance we need to answer the NJDEPE's letter.

We shall assume, unless advised otherwise by you, that a 30-day extension is acceptable and that the response to the March 16 letter must be filed with the NJDEPE by May 5, 1994.

We thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,



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